GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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PNG Monthly Charges
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) charges fixed monthly charges from consumers for unused extenstion lines or even when PNG is not consumed and if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor along with the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard;
(b) whether the rates of natural gas being supplied by IGL to factories in various States in the country are different/ not uniform for all the States; and
(c) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor and the corrective steps taken/being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI DHARMENDRA PRADHAN)
(a) In case any customer of Indraprastha Gas Limited (IGL) plans not to use Piped Natural Gas (PNG) connection for a longer period, there is an option to get the line temporarily disconnected for safety reasons on a nominal charge of Rs. 25 per month, till resumption of supply. Otherwise such PNG consumers are required to pay fixed charges for unused PNG connection which are equivalent to 4 standard cubic metre (SCM) of gas on the bi-monthly basis. These charges cover the expenses incurred on maintaining the pipeline system and ensuring safety of the installation.
(b) & (c) IGL is supplying imported Re-gasified Liquefied Natural Gas (RLNG) to the factories (industrial customers) in the NCT of Delhi and parts of the State of Uttar Pradesh and Haryana. The delivered price of natural gas to the factories in different state varies depending upon the basic price of imported RLNG, transportation cost and local taxes and
levies. The imported RLNG is being supplied at market determined prices by different gas suppliers/importers and Government does not control the prices of imported RLNG.
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